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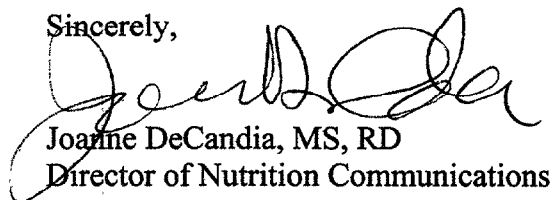
Dear Sir or Madam:

This letter will serve as a 30 day notification pursuant to Section 6 of the Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act of 1994 that NBTY Inc. is using the following statements on our L-Carnitine supplements under the Origins brand name:

- Heart Healthy
- Assists in Fat Metabolism
- Carnitine plays an essential role in making fatty acids available for muscle tissue.

The above statements are accompanied by the required disclaimer pursuant to Section 6 of the Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act.

Sincerely,


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